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PROCESSING FILM IMAGES FOR
DIGITAL CINEMA

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add the following new claims.

14.(New)A method of processing received density values of a digitized image such that a projection of the digitized image closely matches that image which a film projector would produce when projecting an original film; said method comprising the steps of:

- transforming the received density values to printing density values;
- digital color balancing by writing the printing density values and a LAD patch onto film;
- printing the film according to LAD procedure;
- transforming the images from device dependent color space values into device independent color space values;
- carrying out a relationship between the device independent color space and a display device output to obtain RGB code values;
- adjusting any non-linearity between the RGB code values and the display device output; and